



**ICOH 2006-2008 TRIENNIUM
MIDTERM SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE REPORT**

**MIDTERM REPORT
Covering June 2006 – October 2007**

Note: We are using an identical format for the SC Midterm and Final Reports. Each covers a specified timeframe. **The SC Midterm Report covers June 2006 – October 31, 2007. Please return it no later than December 1, 2007 to:**

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Focus and aim of Scientific Committee:

SCOHN aims to foster the scientific progress, knowledge and development of occupational health nursing on an international basis. In particular, the committee:

- Establishment of a research working group to identify nursing research being conducted by OHN's throughout the world and facilitate active research among nurses.
 - Seminars convened in various countries by the SCOHN in the interim years between Congresses. These relate to selected themes with local ICOH nurse members invited to present papers.
 - Conduct sessions on occupational health nursing topics at each ICOH Congress. These include free papers as well as Mini-Symposia. A group meeting of all nurses attending Congresses. These are convened by the SCOHN for the purpose of discussing relevant global nursing issues and may not be convened at every Congress. Convening of a forum of Nursing Associations at the ICOH Congresses to foster collaboration on OHN issues.
 - Meets to share and discuss progress in occupational health nursing practice, education, research and management.
 - Publishes documents relating to occupational health nursing.
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PART I – ACTIVITIES: Business meetings, Conferences, Seminars and Workshops
Midterm Report: June 2006-September 30, 2007

Please note collaborations with other SCs, WHO, ILO and NGOs.

1) Business meeting:

Venue: Bangkok, Siam City Hotel

Date: 2007.09.26.

Number of attendees: 3

Date report sent to VP Fingerhut (Please use Business Report form in SC Virtual Office at <http://www.ichweb.org/scvo/>):

Conferences, Seminars, Workshops, Courses, etc:

(please fill in the tables)

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| (1) Name of the event: | 2nd International Conference on Occupational Health Nursing 2007 Alliance for Promoting Quality of Work Life: Challenges in Occupational Health, Safety and Environment | | | | |
| Type of event: | Conference | Seminar | Workshop | Course | Other |
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| Date: | 23-27. August 2007 | | | | |
| Venue: | Siam City Hotel | | | | |
| Organizers: | Faculty of Public Health, Mahidol University, Thailand Occupational Health Nursing Association, Thailand Okayama Occupational Health Nursing Association, Japan Gifu College of Nursing, Japan | | | | |
| Co-organizers and Collaborators: Please describe roles. | SCOHN, Marjatta Peurala, Member of Organizing Committee, Co-Chairman, Academic Specialist Jennyfer Serfontein, Academic Specialist | | | | |
| Number of participants: | About 200 – 250 | | | | |

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| Publication of proceedings: | |
| Book of abstracts: | 2nd International Conference on Occupational Health Nursing 2007 Alliance for Promoting Quality of Work Life: Challenges in Occupational Health, Safety and Environment |
| Book of selected proceedings: | |
| Special issue of peer reviewed journals: | |
| Assessment of success: | Moderate successful |

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| (2) Name of the event: | | | | | |
| Type of event: | Conference | Seminar | Workshop | Course | Other |
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| Date: | 2007.08.23. 16.00-18.00 ICOHN executive meeting, Room B | | | | |
| Venue: | Siam City Hotel | | | | |
| Organizers: | Faculty of Public Health, Mahidol University, Thailand Occupational Health Nursing Association, Thailand Okayama Occupational Health Nursing Association, Japan Gifu College of Nursing, Japan | | | | |
| Co-organizers and Collaborators: Please describe roles. | ICOH, President J. Rantanen, Board Member Jennyfer Serfontein SCOHN, Chairman M. Peurala Invited participants | | | | |
| Number of participants: | About 20 | | | | |
| Assessment of success: | Moderate successful | | | | |

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| (3) Name of the event: | Meeting for evaluation of the 2 nd International Conference on Occupational Health Nursing 2007 and planning next Conference to be held in Tokyo in 2010 | | | | |
| Type of event: | Conference | Seminar | Workshop | Course | Other |
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| Date: | 2007.08.26 17.00 - 18.00, Meeting for planning next Conference to be held in Tokyo in 2010 | | | | |
| Venue: | Siam City Hotel, Room B | | | | |
| Organizers: | Faculty of Public Health, Mahidol University, Thailand Occupational Health Nursing Association, Thailand Okayama Occupational Health Nursing Association, Japan Gifu College of Nursing, Japan | | | | |
| Co-organizers and Collaborators: Please describe roles. | SCOHN M. Peurala, Chairman of SCOHN, Invited member of meeting | | | | |
| Number of participants: | 15 | | | | |
| Assessment of success: | Moderate successful | | | | |

**PART II Midterm Report: SC Products and Collaborations June 2006 – September 30, 2007
Publications, Guidelines*, Position Papers*, etc**

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An Article about SCOH has sent to Suvi Lehtinen to be published in ICOH Newsletter in December 2007.

Cooperation with other Scientific Committees

SCOHN has cooperated with SC of OH and Development and SC Research and Evaluation aiming to have a common Conference in Mumbai in January 2008. The programme is prepared by Suvi Lehtinen together with SC's.

Participation and support to WHO – ILO meetings and or publications:

Cooperation with non-ICOH organizations: Collaboration with FOHNEU (Federation of OHN within EU countries) continues. SCOHN informed it's members about London Congress in September 2007 and many of SCOHN members participated in Congress, and contributed to its programme.

Any other points of relevance:

The Scientific Committee on Occupational Health Nursing (SCOHN) decided during the Milan ICOH Congress in 2006, to conduct research on role of the occupational health nurse in a multidisciplinary team. The process will commence with the distribution of a questionnaire, the results of which will hopefully provide the necessary information to define the OHN role. The target date for completion of this project was decided to be a 3 year period, with the final outcome being ready for presentation at the ICOH conference in March 2009. At the moment the first draft of the questionnaire is prepared and the aim is to send it to the members in December 2007.

During 2nd International Conference on Occupational Health Nursing 2007

in Bangkok 19 participants made the applications for membership of ICOH/SCOHN. In South-Africa SCOHN has got 9 new members. Together about 74 members (not updated).

**PART III Midterm Report: SC PLANS for second half of Triennium and for ICOH 2009:
October 1, 2007 – March 30, 2009**

Planned business meetings, conferences, seminars: (provide title, location, date if possible)

During ICOH Mid-term meeting in Hamburg Germany, SCOHN is planning to hold an executive meeting, a day before ICOH meeting Thursday 13 .03.2008.

Planned collaborative Activities with other ICOH Scientific Committees: (Provide Conference title, dates, location and role of each SC. Provide relevant details of other collaborations with SCs.)

Planned collaborative Activities with other (Non-ICOH) Organizations:

Organizing the pre-congress workshop together at the University of Cape Town (Venue) and SASOHN (SA Society of Occ Health Nursing Practitioners). See later: planned Contributions to ICOH 2009.

Planned Publications, Position papers, etc.: (Provide title, authors, timeframe, publication, if known)

Planned Scientific Contributions to ICOH 2009:

Planned special session of SCOHN: Topics to be used as session titles during the conference -

Occupational Health: - A Vital Asset in Occupational Health

Open to all nurses, not only to the members of ICOH/SCOHN. Chair, vice-chair and abstract reviewers of the session will be organized by the executive of SCOHN.

The name of meetings of committees or groups to be held during the congress, dates and the number of persons involved.

1) SCOHN executive meeting 23 March at 5 p.m. (2 hours), approx 6 persons

2) General Meeting, date 25 March at 1 p.m. (1,5 hours meeting), approx numbers 40

Pre-congress meetings, title, number of people/delegates and organisation responsible and contact details.

We will have the SCOHN pre workshop at University of Cape Town, and there is also the possibility of tours to 2-3 Industries and Occ Health Services. The SCOHN workshop will be hosted by SASOHN (SA Society of Occ Health Nursing Practitioners) at no cost to SCOHN /ICOH members, but also open for Occ health Nurses in SA to attend at a minimal cost. The organising committee has had a meeting to discuss the various arrangements and will have another meeting on 7/8 Febr 2008. There is currently three OHN on scientific review panel, but we have more resources available at universities, that we can be requested to look at papers for ICOH

The names of individuals that will be able to assist with abstract evaluation, interest development for paper and poster presenters, specific scientific subprogram management during the congress.

Members of SCOHN executive: Megan Kingham (secretary), Louwna Pretorius (vice chair) and Marjatta Peurala (chair)

Any other points of relevance:

SCOHN has started to prepare its www.pages.

PART IV – Assessment of Success of SC and Impact on Global Occupational Health

We want to understand and share widely the value and impact of the work of the Scientific Committees on improving global occupational health. Please look back into the past and provide an assessment.

SCOHN appreciates the offered possibility to collaborate with Asian OHNs during The 2nd ICOHN in Bangkok 2007. ICOH/SCOHN got 19 new members and was invited to evaluate the conference as well as to plan the next conference to be held in Tokio in 2010. 10 new ICOH/SCOHN members were recruited in South Africa.

The Chair of SC has got much contact to the OHNs in Asian countries and many of them will come to visit Finland to learn more about OHS. They wish to receive OHN Education in English in Finland.

Midterm Report: Please assess the success of the SC and its influence in improving global occupational health as a result of the work *prior to* the current Triennium. Give examples where possible.

The Milan Congress and especially the pre-congress workshop were successful. SCOHN collaborated with FOHNEU (Federation of Occupational Health Nurses within EU) by organizing the workshop. In Milan SCOHN got new members from Brazil.
